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Union Village Lyceum
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Monday evening Oct. 12. 1874.

The Lyceum met at the usual hour and place. The choir taking the stand, sung— "Give me a portion with the people of God": Carrying the part; and inspiring was the music. Meantime, scanning the tender flush on the bashful faces of the younger ones— My look was raised to the farther side of the stand and rested on ~~the bowed eyed face of~~ Oliver S Hampton the teacher of vocal music, for so many years— in our Village. His note of a long trained use— sounding over the heads of his pupils; in that mellow richness— slightly touching— on ill's sere;— for fifty Autumns, have brushed his locks.

Here, my thoughts went back mid the records of by-gone days. To sorrows imposed by the bondage of ignorance— conflicts with superstition— the higher and lower tides of subjection— persevering, and untiring energy, in the all-absorbing interest— the one dearest attachment, and highest ambition from boyhood up: and these were the elements out of which this

institution was born. — Over which he presided. This cause for heightening an educational standard — ever going before; — and prompting the vision of Good unto his soul; from whence her virtues should shine — in the divine illumination — The strength of her towers be felt. And the glorious prize of salvation be found. For when winnowed, from the unwholesome, unrelished stubble and chaff; — the garnered truths of the higher estate should pour forth their powers of beauty and life. Olivia battles fought — repulsed — And battles fought and won; on this ground of his ultimate achievement: I have known.

His tones on the air of this breezeless night, bore deep satisfaction — quenched in devotion his look — and there played on his face — as a large winged bird, fledged in prophecies being fulfilled.

Harmonizing; — as it the union of body and soul; — there drew in on the ideal realm — the outside realms — into this institution emblems of its teacher's designing from natures best. The Maple twigs of

the finest choice through forest glades — planted by his hand, and nurtured by his training to decorate this locality of his favorite resort; — now, standing without the window panes globed in shells of sombre light — reflections from the lighted room within. Their foliage present by day, the tinseled sere of leaf unrift as yet, by storms of rain or wind in every hue of radiance — from the pale Moonbeam of frosty night; to the red full Moon of Indian Summer. And the fruit-bearing trees for the childrens sake — of Olivers planting — have their places around this yard with their smoothe tramped swarths beneath and offering their glows of color to his quick eye — so receptive to their charms of beauty. While beyond, the "grand old forest" appears, in unbroken ranks, as seen through the haze of distant miles; and flanking the rear of our sacred dominions — like the spanning arms of God — around.

The singers returned to their places — the roll was called when it was found

that all of the members were present except-
ing Mariah and Dora. The minutes
being read, were adopted as they stood.

Upon appointment of officers F. Brady
was chosen president of the next meeting,
George Clingman vice-president, H. Miller
secretary. The rules of elocution having
been repealed; elder Oliver C. Hampton
read an original essay; subject, "Open Question"
Susan C. Liddil re-read an original article,
presented at the last meeting, being requested
so to do, by absent members of the previous
meeting: subject, Individuality.

Susanna McBrady read an extract
from — "Elements of Character".

"To Surrender". A select poem, was read
by Herman Miller.

Matilda Butler declaimed: "The voice
of the wind". Selected.

Thomas Embry by being requested, read a
portion of a lengthy article from a newspaper
giving a most interesting history of the
Brooklyn community.

Julia Donnell read an original essay-
subject. Midnight.

"Josh Billings on gongs" was declaimed by Frank Brady.

Maggie Seilzer declaimed a selected poem - subject - "Rum Cruisade".

Flora Brady - original essay. subject, Education.

Thomas Embry now proposed - that, sisters. Mariah, and Dora, on account of delicate health, and consequent seldom attendence, should have their names dropped, whenever necessary in forming a quorum. This proposition was carried.

Elder Oliver C Hampton next arose, and offered - that, for an exercise - he would select and present to each member of the Institute, a certain number of sentences, - to be incorporated, in each one composition for the next meeting.

After this followed a joint motion, by elder Oliver, Thomas, and Herman, to the effect - that, as far as possible, each one should have, alternate compositions and selections. Our Lyceum was unusually bright and animating in the persons

ance of its exercises this evening. The usual time of attendence now expired: The meeting is to stand ajourned to October 26. fifteen minutes after seven oclock. P. M.

Susan C. Siddell. Sec.

Progressive Institute. A. N. October 26. 1874

In pursuance to Rule the Institute met at the appointed place and time and was called to order by Frank Brady. President. "Don't despair my gallant lad" a song performed by the Choir, accompanied by the organ opened the meeting. The minutes of the preceding meeting were read, caused to be amended and with amendment adopted. Absent from meeting were Margaret Seibzer, George Clingman, and Mary Parker. The Officers for the next meeting were elected Susan C. Siddell President. Julia Connell Vice President And Matilda Butler Sec. After repeletion of Rules of elocution Oliver C. Hampton opened the reign for literary exercises with a composition subject "Our final emancipation".

Susan C Siddil next followed with a composition subject "How the destruction of forest trees effects the country." Susanna Brady in a composition. Serene Meditations.

Herman Miller had also a composition, subject: "Recollection". Matilda Butler's "Life is too short": an original composition was well adapted for reflection. J. Connells contribution was a composition subject. "The years are gone". Thomas Embry entertained the Institute with several Chapters from a series of Chapters on the Brockton society. Mariah Wheeler declaimed an original poem subject. "The blind girl."

And Florance Brady declaiming a poem "How softly on the bruised Harp" brought the exercises to a close.

At the minutes show, Original compositions were in this meeting predominant and as an explanation to this I allow to remark. That on the preceding meeting Oliver C Hampton kindly volenteered in giving to the members a number of words or sentences, to be imbodied in a composition. At the sequal shows. The

members largely availed themselves of this opportunity. The Recorder Oliver C. Hampton announced that the book of Records was filled and his term of Office expired. The President therefore appointed Susan C. Liddil as Recorder to serve as such till the new Book of record shall be filled. Alexis Walther, who has been absent three successive meetings was stricken from the list an consequently ceased to be a member. The meeting then adjourned to November 8. 1874. a quarter after seven o,clock. P. M.

Herman Miller Sec.

Union Village November 8. 1874.

The Institute met at the usual time and place. The meeting was called to order by the President. Susan C. Liddil.

A song by the Choir. accompanied by the organ. Title of the song. On the heather &c.

The roll being called every member belonging to the institute responded to their names but Dora Mc. dow. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and caused to be amended and, finally adopted as amended.

The election of officers for the next meeting which resulted in the nomination of George Clingman President. Frank H. Brady vice President. O. C. Hampton secretary. Next followed the repetition of the rules of elocution. Then came the reading of the different selections by each member. O. C. Hampton a short selection, subject words of strength Susan C Liddell, a selection subject Miniature of nature Susanna M. Brady a short piece from Byron's writing subject A Star Herman Miller an original composition subject Revolution, Matilda A Butler A poem subject Scandal monger, Thomas J Babcock read a portion of the report of a gintleman visiting a family by the name of Eddie giving some very interesting account of spirit manifestations. Mariah Wheeler A select poem subject Perfect through suffering, Julia Connell a short piece of poetry subject Love above suspicion Frank H Brady an original composition subject, Stimulants, George Clingman, The Blue laws of Connecticut. Maggie Seltzer declamation. subject How short is life Mary Parker declaimed The Poem Callibianca

Flora Brady, a declamation subject Gen-
tle words. After the regular exercises were
finished Elder Oliver announced to the meet-
ing that the books belonging to the institute
had been borrowed but not returned. A
motion was made by Thomas J Embree to drop
the repetition of the rules of elocution, The
motion was lost. A motion was then made
by Elder Oliver that all who write original
compositions are to be furnished with a series
of compound and also complex sentences to
be incorporated into such compositions. Car-
ried. The meeting was adjourned. To meet
Monday evening November 22. 1874.

Matilda A. Butler.
Secretary.

November 23rd 1874.

Institute met at the usual time and
place, all members present except our af-
flicted sisters Mariah Wheeler and
Dora Mc. Dow. George Clingman in the
chair. — The regular Secretary, O. C. Hamplin
being very unwell, he was excused from acting,
and J. J. Embree appointed to serve. —

On motion, the musical exercise was dispensed with, owing to sickness and other inability of the Choir.—

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

The election of officers resulted as follows;

President, Maggie Seelzer.
Vice President, Mary Parker.
Secretary Florence Brady.

According to regular order, the repetition of the rules of elocution were participated in by several members, after which the regular literary exercises took place.—

A. C. Hampton read a composition, Subject, "The man is yet unborn, who duly weighs an hour".— Susan C. Liddil read a selection, entitled "A picture from life.

Susanna M. Brady, a composition; subject "The Exile of Erin".

Matelda Butler, a composition; subject, "Equal Rights wanted".

T. A. Embree read another enstall—

ment of the article describing the Brocton Community.

Julia O'connel, a composition, entitled "Man will progress swiftly, when honest investigation comes to be unbrameled".

Frank H. Brady read an extract from Artemus Ward's solemn writings, entitled "Womens Rights".

George Clingman, a composition, entitled "Get us such Wisdom".

Maggie Seilzer, a composition on "disappointment".

Mary Parker declaimed a poem, "The name upon the sand".

Flora Brady declaimed a poem one "The Rainy Day". In each of the compositions read. The complex sentences prepared for this evening, were incorporated, and with great success, — the composers evincing great ingenuity in getting them in advantageously. — Considering the unusually difficult nature of the sentences, The writer thinks the composers are entitled to great praise. — After the regular exercises were through, it was pro-

posed for the sake of keeping up the variety and interest in our meetings, to introduce a new exercise to be called "Questions," which is to consist of questions by any of the members addressed in writing to any other of the members; the member addressed to answer to the best of his ability, either verbally or in writing, at the next meeting, after the question is asked. The questions to be deposited in a question box, by the writers from which they are to be drawn by the secretary, read, and delivered to the persons to whom they are addressed. After some discussion, the proposition was adopted, and it was decided to take the initiatory steps immediately after the regular exercises of our next meeting. On motion, adjourned to meet in December 7th 1874.

D. S. Cambre
Secretary.

Meting was call'd at the usual time and place and on roll being call'd it appear'd that George Shingman and Mary Parker were absent - the minutes were read and adopted as they stood. The election of officers resulted as follows. Frank H. Brady President. J. J. Embree Vice President O. C. Hampton secretary. The rules being read the several original compositions and select pieces were read and repeated as follows. O. C. Hampton a select prose address to students Susan Liddle a piece intitled the burning walls. Susanah Brady a declamation subject the slave. Matilda. A. Butler select poem Kindred hearts. J. J. Embree read another installment of the article discribing the Brocton community, Julia O Connel a selection entitled entitled while I live I hope. Frank H. Brady Composition, subject, progression Maggie Seilzer a declamation intitled, Judge not.

Florence Brady, a composition subject darkness - Nadia Wheeler sent in a contribution entitled come sweet thoughts, read by J. J Embree.
After the compositions and selections were read J. J. Embree proposed that the members bring forward the several questions proposed to be offered at our next meeting and place the same in the question Box which was done and the secretary was requested to read and distribute the same to the to the proper members which she did, after some little further conversation on motion of J. J. Embree the meeting was adjourned by the President to meet Dec the 20th at 1 o'clock

Florence Brady
Secretary

Union Village Dec. 21. 1874.

Meeting was called to order some minutes after the usual time owing to some not having heard the bell. Upon Roll call Julia Dimmitt Georg Klingman Herman Miller and Maggie Seltzer failed to put in an appearance. The answers to questions deposited in the box, together with the several compositions and declamations were next read before the meeting, as follows. A. C. Hampton answer to question 1. Does the immortality consist in the conscience? 2. Or does it consist of some mental being? 3. If of the latter, What of mental maladies Do they pass through the death scene to meet and invest us on the other side of this existence. S. M. Brady "Thought" from "Elements of Character." Matilda A. Butler. Subj: "Labor and Love". F. J. Embree answered the question "Has the spirit of man any Genesis? Mary Parker. Subj: "I've something on my breast mother". Flora Brady, Subj: "Dr. Sallap". a commical poem.

F. H. Brady Artemus Ward, a political speech. After the reading was finished Thomas J. Embree made a motion to the effect that the President appoint a committee to wait upon Herman Miller and George Bingman and inquire if they were eligible to the benefits of a plea for absence from the meeting for two consecutive evenings. After some discussion upon some of the points involved in the question decided in the question by the meeting was adjourned by the President to meet on the evening of January 4th 1875. at fifteen minutes before seven o'clock.

O. H. Hamilton
Secretary.

January 4th 1875.

The meeting met at the usual time and place. The minutes read; were amended and adopted as amended. The committee report in regard to the two brethren — that George was sick and Herman complained, that he had not the time; on account of his boys; to prepare for the Lyceum.

The meeting opened with music on the organ by Frank H. Brady, while the choir carried the parts. The roll being called, Herman was absent. The election of officers for the next meeting now in order. The presidency devolved on T. I. Embry, George Clingman vice president and Frank H. Brady secretary. Then the repetition of the rules of elocution. Thereafter followed the original compositions selections and declamations. O. C. Hampton original composition, subject, The "Question Box". S. C. Geddis. "The desecration of forests" selected. S. M. Brady "The mind of man" original. M. Butler answered the question given to her from the question box. T. I. Embree an extract from Tupper — "Never give up". Julia Dennel replies to her question box. Frank H. Brady "Honesty is the best policy" original George Clingman a declamation from Byron. Maggy Seltzer declamation. Flora Brady "An evening scene in the twilight" — original. After the regular exercises were over. E. I. Embree proposed that several other young people might

be admitted to the Lyceum who had made application to become members thereof. This, received, a unanimous assent. And after which Bro. Hamilton arose and discoursed in the favor. and adding moreover that in which he was showing Charles Stordoff over our premises — that by way of conversation he made mention for the purpose of discussing finance and economy — he seemed to take part in commendation of the grand arrangement. And when speaking of our Lyceum also. Thomas Embree again on the floor proposed that all wishing to ask questions would deposit them into the question box after the exercises of the next meeting were over. After this Oliver suggested that we should read as an exercise for improvement at the next meeting. which suggestion was amended so that every other Monday evening should be devoted to a reading meeting. Then followed a motion made by Frank H. Brady which received a second to wit that the visitors be allowed to speak. Brother Mathew Barber

availed himself of this opportunity and and gave us great encouragement. After which the president announced. "The meeting stands ajourned to Monday January. 18th quarter to seven.

S. A. Liddell Secretary.

Monday Evening Feb. 15 1875

The Lyceum met at the usual time, and place, was called to order by Julia Connell after calling the roll, Maggie Seiler and George Clingman were found absent. The Minutes being read were amended. Then adopted as amended. Then followed the Election of Officers. resulting in the following manner. O. C. Hampton President. J. J. Embree Vice President. and Frank Brady Secretary. next in order was the repetition of Impromptu Elocution. after which came in order our Literary Exercises.

O. C. Hampton read an original composition. entitled "Community Life." Susan L. Liddell excused. Susanah Brady an Original

Poem. subject Winter, Matilda Butler answered Question (How does a practical life commend itself to us in contrast with a Theoretical one) T. J. Embree. Composition. a discription of the Minutes as approved Julia Oconnell Composition. Communistic Training Frank Brady. Excused Mary Parker. Declamation. entitled Little Gertrude. Flora Brady. Composition. Midnight Meditation. Miscelaneous Exercises now being in order. O. C. Kampton then proffered an Explanation. concerning the incidentary slip to take place in relation to the Little Girls. to this Effect that they must wait until Light Evenings. before becoming Members of Lyceum. T. J. Embree proposed to have Lyceum every alternate Monday Eve. until we make up lost Time. adopted. on Motion adjourned to meet Feb 28 1876 at 1/4 minutes before seven P.M.

Florence Brady
Secretary

March 1st 1875.

On account of the inability to form a Quorum at our previous Meeting, did not meet at the time Specified, but finaly met this Evening. March 1st 1875. at fifteen Minutes of Seven.

being called to order by the Chair, the Proceedings of the Meeting were opened by Music.

The Roll being called, the following Members were found absent, Susan C. Liddell — George Clingman and Mary Parker.

The Minutes were then read, and on Motion were amended to this effect, that the proposition stated in minutes of Feb. 15th ult. which reads. J. Embree. proposed to have our Lyceum meet every Monday in succession untill we made up lost Time be made to read the same, with the motion (proposition Adopted) after which they were adopted as amended.

Then followed the election of Officers for next meeting, resulting as follows.

Susanah M. Brady. President, Matilda Butler Vice President, and Julia Oconell Secretary.

Then after repealing rules in Elocution. we began our regular exercises in Compositions and Declamations. being opened by O.C. Hampton. having an Original Comp entitled, The Interests of our Lyceum, and followed successively by. Susanah Brady. Select piece. Author Beaty Matilda Butler. Select entitled. Lessons from the Past Author Frederick Smith Thomas Embree Select, entitled Tolerance author Tupper. Julia O'Connell. Select Let be happy to day. Author E. J. Leggett. F. Brady. select entitled Skeptic Last night. Author Truesdell. Florence Brady Select entitled How little we know of each other

Literary Exercises being over, Meeting await further Business. Thomas J. Embree takes the Chair while O.C. Hampton makes the following propositions resolved that in accordance with the Preamble which reads (Whereas we have been

urgently requested by the Elders to avoid presenting any contribution to this Meeting. Calculating to reflect injuriously upon the good name, Character, reputation or feelings of any Members of the Society, or which would appear in the legal like of Mutual recrimination of each other. Therefore, Resolved to avoid strictly all such conduct in word or writing from day and date of this resolution. Carried.

It was proposed that the Chair appoint Recorder during absence of regular one, resulting in appointment of Bro Brady.

On Motion, Resolved that we fall back to our summer arrangment of Commencing Meetings at 7 Oclock. Carried. again Resolved. that the Article of the Constitution relative to a quorum, shall be so amended that 5 of the whole numberg, shall constitute a quorum. Carried.

resolved. that the Question Box be opened at next meeting. for the purpose of facilitating the improvement in original Composition. Carried.

On Motion.
adjourned to meet March 15th 1875.
at 7 oclock P.M.

J. H. Brady.
Sectary.

March 14th 1875.

The Institute opened at the usual time and place. Meeting being called to order by Chair. Music Vocal and Instrumental was performed by the Choir. The roll being called. Susanah Liddel Thomas Embree and Mary Parker were found absent. The Minutes of the Previous Meeting were read and on Motion adopted. Officers for the ensuing Meeting were elected as follows. Georg. Clingman president Frank. Brady Vice president and

O. C. Hampton secretary. Rules in Elocution were then repealed by those having Compositions

Thesis and Declamations followed.

O. C. Hampton read. The Boat of Grass. by Mrs Butler. (Author

S. M. Brady. Original Composition. (View by the way.

Matilda Butler. Original Composition (Dress does not make the Man

Julia Oconnel. original Composition. (Contentment.

Frank Brady. Original Composition (Inaptitude.

George Clingman read essay. (Chills & Fever.) By Dewitt

Exercises being over. The Question Box was presented for Questions. But only two were recieved. Meeting then adjourned to meet March 20th Fifteen Minutes after Seven P. M. 1876.

Julia Oconnel.

Secretary.

March 29th 1875.

The Institute met at the usual time and place. The regularly elected President being absent, Vice President, Frank Brady took the Chair, and called the Meeting to order. A Beautiful Piece of Music was sung by the Junior Accompanied by the Organ, The regular Secretary being unwell. J Embree was elected Secretary Pro. Tem, upon Roll Call it was found the Absentees were this time, Susan Liddell Georg Clingman Maria Wheeler and Dora Medow, The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and adopted, The Election of Officers for Next Meeting resulted as follows, President, Matilda Butler, Vice President Julia Oconnel. Secretary, Susanah Brady. One rule of Elocution was repeated, The Literary Exercises were as follows, Original Composition by O Hampton in answer to the Question, propounded to him at last Meeting which was, Are there as great men and philosophers in the present age, as there has been in the past.

and if so. who are they. Susanah Brady
read an artick by Washington Irving
on the Characters of Columbus.
Matilda Butler read a poem. written
by Orilla Leacy, of White Water Village.
The Night comes on. Thomas Emblee
read a poem, by John G Whittaker, Entitled
The two Angels. Julia Oconnel read an
Anonymous Article, Peeping The Younge
Frank Brady declaimed a humerous
poem. Entitled. Yonet Deacon Smith.
Mary Parker declaimed a poem on
Nobody's Business. Florence Brady
declaimed a poem by Mrs Hemans.
in reference to the departed. This Closing
the regular busines. Ol Hampton made
some remarks concerning the advisability
of preparing ourselves to appear as well as
possible at our coming meetings, as
probably Elder Harvey Eades might be
present. he made a motion which
was Carried, that there be a list of
words prepared, which should be
incorporated in the next Compositions.
There were some remarks made concerning

the fact of our having fallen almost out of the habits of having having our Literary Exercises consist of original Compositions and on motion it was agreed to redivide the members, and appoint the persons who should have compositions for next meeting, and those who should read or declaim. Thus making a new starting point on that subject. On motion. The Meeting adjourned to convene again at quarter past Seven PM April 12th 1876.

J Embree
Secretary pro tem.

April 12 1876.

The Institute met at the usual time and place. The Meeting being called to order by the President. Music being first in order was promptly attended to and beautifully performed instrumental and vocal in harmony. Upon roll call it was found that Maria Wheeler & Liddel George Clingman M. Parker & Dora McDow, were absent. The Minutes were then read and adopted. next in order was the election of officers. for following Meeting

which resulted as follows. T J Embree President. F H Brady Vice President and O O Hampton Secretary. The Litterary exercises began with O Hampton. who read (after the rules in Elocution were repealed) an Original Composition. Subject Progress. next S M Brady. read an original Composition. Subject. Sunset of life. M Butler read a piece of Poetry. Author M J Anderson Subject progress. J. Connel read a piece of Poetry. Subject Compensation Author Lizzie Dolen. F H Brady. read an original Composition. Subject Happiness from Thought. Florence Brady an original Composition. Subject Prayer. T J Embree read a poem Selected by Maria Wheeler Subject Pilgrims Progress.
The Question Box came up for discussion and was resolved by a unanimous vote that every alternate meeting questions shall be prepared for the Box and also to have all questions to be put before the Meeting prepared in written form before presenting them. Carried. It was then suggested to those having original

Compositions. to present at next Meeting. to incorporate in them the same list of words in answering their Questions. on Motion Carried. on Motion. Meeting adjourned to meet April 26. 1875.

S M Brady. Secretary.

April 26th 1875

The Lyceum met at the usual place and time, and was called to order by the President (S M Brady). At Roll Call. J Embree failed to put in an appearance Matilda Butler Dora McDow & Maria Wheeler were found Absent. previous to Rollcall Music was performed by the Choir. A piece of Music entitled. Instructions The Liver). Election of officers resulted as follows. S M Brady. President. V. Pres. Flora J Brady. Secretary Julia O'Connel. After the repetition of Rules followed the reading of Original Compositions and Select pieces. O C Hampton read an original Composition Subject Necessity for and use of Government. S M Brady Select piece entitled Jephthas Daughter

by Willis, Julia O Connel Subject Time
T. H. Brady. Select piece entitled
Frenchman and Waltz, Florence J Brady
Select piece. entitled the Old Bank.
This ending the Exercizes. We had some
discussion of some length upon the
subject of removing the Sittings of the
Lyceum to Music Hall. But Members
from the south being absent it was
thought best not to offer resolutions
until blessed with their presence.
The Secretary then Moved an adjournment
which Stated that we meet on Monday
Evening May 10th 1875 at quater past Seven

O C Hampton
Secretary

May 10th 1875.

Meeting opened at usual time and place. a piece entitled (Jesus is Mine) was sung by the Choir. The roll was called Susan Liddell and Dora M. Dow were absent. The the Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and adopted. Next the election of officers for the Evening meeting which resulted as follows. Oliver Hampton President Thomas Embree Vice President Frank I Brady secretary. Now the Exercises rules of Elocution. Declamations and Compositions are in order. O. Hampton reads an Original composition entitled Religion. F. I. Brady an Original Comp entitled Science, T. Embree and Original Composition (our Ignorance) being the Title. M. A. Butler a select Piece entitled nothing lost J. O. Connel, a select piece entitled (To Day and Tomorrow) Wm Wheeler a select piece entitled Melancholy. Frank Brady a select piece entitled Gapl seed. Florence an original composition subject Moderate Eating. Exercises being over

O C Hampton by regulat a second party. Hyats all words sentences and claues here after gotten up for composition shall be subject to four weeks consideration and observation of the Composers. carried Nothing more being offered meeting adjourned to meeting the June 7th 1870 at quater past seven P.M.

J. D. Counel
Secratary.

Union Villiage Ohio May 24th
Institute called to order by O C Hampton President. The regular sekratary being absent. J Embree was elected Secratary protem. Owing to lack of singers Music was dispensed with. Upon rolf call. The following persons were found to be absent. Matilda Butler Susan Liddel Frank Brady Flora Brady and Dora McDow. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted. The Election of officers for next meetings resulted as follows.

President Julia O'Connell. Vice President Maria Wheeler & Susanah Brady Secretary. There seemed to be no one prepared to repeat any rules in elocution. O. Hampton read several extracts from Draper's History of Intellectual progress in Europe. Susanah Brady's Contribution was an original Int. Excerpt. T. J. Embree a selected poem, by N. P. Willis, entitled Love. Maria Wheeler read an original Poem entitled We would miss them all.

Julia O'Connell read an original Composition which she called Impiii in which was incorporated a list of words prepared for the purpose. Some Questions were deposited in the Question Box, after which Bro's Thos Owen & Valentine Nicholson who were present spoke to us very encouragingly. The Meeting then adjourned to meet again June 7th 1875.

T. J. Embree
Secretary Protem.

Upton Village Ohio
June 7th 1875.

Institute met at usual time and place, and was called to order by Julia O'Connell, president. upon roll call it was found that the following Members were absent Maria Wheeler Dora McDow & Susan Liddel. Minutes of last meeting read and adopted

The Election of Officers for next meeting resulted as follows D Embree President C.C Hampton E H Brady secretary Music performed by C.C Hampton & H.E Brady & F J Brady, rules of election were repeated after which the regular proceedings commenced. C.C Hampton Read an answer to a question asked him F J Embree an extract from J Dodd J O'Connel read an extract, subject, The Importance of Equilibrium H.E Brady. Orig. Composition, subject Servitude Matilda Butler

Original Composition subject. Death and The Grave. Susanah Brady. Select piece. subject Fertility of Invention The Lilterary performance being ended. There remained time for remarks which filled up Time Till adjournment T J Embree read a contribution sent in by Maria Wheeler The Meeting Then adjourned to meit June 21, 1875. at 7¼ P.M.

S. W. Brady
Secratary.

June 21st 1875

Lyceum met at usual Time and place. Meeting came to hand and roll was called Matilda Butler and Susan Liddel were found absent. Music. Meeting with success. Minutes were Then read and adopted by insertion of said Resolution Jow Gramatical Grammar, as Amended. Election of officers Then took place resulting in Maria Wheeler. President

S M Brady Vice President & Florence
J Brady Secretary, Rules of elocution
were then repeated & Litterary Exercises
Were then gone through with.
O C Hampton, Orig, Corrections in Grammar
False Syntax
S M Brady " " "
F J Embree " " "
Maria Wheeler ———
Julia O'Connel " " "
F H Brady " " "
F J Brady " " "
Litterary Exercises being over a
Motion was made by the
Continuance of this same exercise
India Weldon, Lorretta Hockett Sally
Miller Leona McDow wish to Join,
Motion being made & ballot, resulting
in Unanimous Vote
Oliver then Closing the Meeting by
reading a piece entitled The Hobby
Rider carried to his death
For our instruction & entertainment
Meeting then adjourned to meet
July 5th 1875. F Brady Secretary

July 6th 1870

Institute met at usual Time and place, Quarter past seven P. M. The Members assembling were called to order by chair. The Roll being called, it appeared that Matilda Butler Maria Wheeler & Susan Liddel were absent. A Motion was then made that for the sake of our new Members, the Constitution and By Laws should be read, it was done so by Elder Oliver. The Minutes were then read by the Secretary, and were amended and adopted as amended. The Election of Officers resulted as follows. Frank Brady President. J. Embree Secretary. Oliver Vice president. The Rules of Elocution being next in order were gone through with. The Literary Exercises consisting of False Grammar Corrected. O. C. Hampton Susanah Brady J. Embree Julia Connel Frank Brady. Flora Brady India Weldon Gave correct corrections. Frank Brady Took the Stand and presented Sallie Millers Name as a candidate for Membership in the Lyceum and left for the next

Time to be acted upon. it was moved by C C Hampton to postpone our Meetings for three weeks in Time of Harvest and it was seconded by one of the Members, and then adopted. Nothing more on hands, adjourned to Meet again July the 28 Tenders past 7 P.M. 1875.

Flora Brady
Secretary.

Aug. 2nd 1875.

The Institute failed to hold a meeting at the regular time. July 28 owing to lack of quorum present and in order to make up the full number of meetings. It was Concluded to hold a Meeting this evening accordingly we assembled and Commenced the session at about half past seven P.M. A Musical exercise was executed with good effect. upon roll call it was

found that the absentees were—
Matilda Butler Susan Liddell Julia
Oconnel and Maria Wheeler.
The Minutes of last meeting not being
at hand it was decided To go on
with other exercises, while Late
Secratary went to procure said Minutes
Upon election of Officers. The following
were Chosen. President Flora Brady
Vice President India Weldon and
Secratary Susanah Brady. It was
on motion concluded to cease
for the present, the Gramatical
exercises that we have for some
sessions past been paying attention
to, and return to our regular
exercises of composition and Declama-
and for this purpose, the Secratary
made a new asignment of Members
for each exercise The Literary
exercises consisting of correction of
Gramatical errors, to be next participated
in by all members present. but
previous to this the Minutes of last
Meeting having been brought in

were now read and with some slight
Verbal amendments were adopted
A vote was then taken on the
admission of Sallie Miller to
Membership which resulted in a
unanimous expression in the affirma
and she is therefore admitted as
a member. It has been apparent
for several months past that
there was a waning of interest in
the institute on the part of some
of the members, resulting frequently
in a difficulty in getting enough
to gether to form a quorum and on
some occasions, in an absolute lack
of a quorum. Consequently the
following resolutions were introduced
by Elder Oliver Hampton. 9th Resolved

That we commence anew to prepare
our contributions with more faith-
fulness and direct preference to our
own improvement, and the true
intent and interest of our institute
Allowing no frivolous excuses to preven

hereafter. the performance of our whole duty. therein, according to the obligation imposed by our constitution and 13 by Laws. 2nd. Resolved That any one, who hereafter through Sheer neglect or want of interest in the exercises of this Institute or a Membership therein fails to prepare a contributions for two consecutive Meetings shall forfeit his or her Membership and proposing to become Thereafter a member, must come in according to the process required of new Members. 3rd. Resolved That the Union Village Progressive institute be, and the same is this night dissolved after the above mentioned resolutions were ready. they taken one at a time and discussed the reasons given why they should be adopted and so forth and after some considerable talk. 1st & 2nd resolutions were adopted, and 3rd rejected. It was decided by vote hereafter, until farther action action was had. begin the sessions

of our Institute at 7½ Oclock P M
instead of 7¼ as heretofore.
on Motion adjourned to meet on
aug 20th 1870 at 7½ Oclock P.M.

T J Embree
Secretary

Aug 16th 1870.

The Meeting of
the Institute came to hand as usual
at same time and place. Meeting being
called to order by the president. The
regular proceedings were promptly performed
upon roll call it was found that
two of the members were absent, Susan
Liddel and Matilda Butler. The Minutes
were read and adopted as they stood
The following Officers were elected
O C Hampton President, Thomas Embree
Vice President & Frank Brady Secretary
A new Member signed the constitution
Two rules in Education were repeated
after which the Literary exercises
began, consisting of readings, Compositions
& Selections &c

Subjects of Compositions by the members
Oleftanipelton, read. Above & Below
S M Brady Original. My Thoughts
J Embree reading, So Called Evil
Maria Wheeler " S. from W. Emmerson
Julia Bonnell " . Darwinism
H J Brady " . Dan Diary at Brighton
H J Brady Original. Composition
India Weldon " Midnight Thoughts
Loretta Hockett Essay A Modern Belle
Sally Miller " Long ago.
No further Business before the
Meeting, we adjourned to meet
Sept 13-1870.

S M Brady
Secretary

Union Villiage Progressive
Institute Sept. 13-1870.

Meeting called to order this evening
at 7 1/2 P.M. Music, a piece entitled
(Better than Throne) was performed
by the Choir. Rolled being called,
Susan Liddell Matilda Butler and

India Weldon were found absent
The Minutes were then read amended
and adopted as amended. The following
are the amendments. (Insertion to the
date of Previous Minutes) and (By an
Omission of a Gramatical Mistake
Officers for next Meeting were then
elected Maria Wheeler President
Florence Brady Vice President and
Julia Connell Secretary, after
repetition of rules by Members. The
Literary exercises were opened by
C. Hampton, who after making a
few preliminary remarks, read a
piece entitled reincarnation.
Then followed respectively Susanah
Brady reading a piece entitled
Christ and People Author Unknown
Thomas Entree Reading Essay on the
following question what are the
distinctions dividing self Evident
truth and relative Truth.
Maria Wheeler, Is there Death Orig.
Julia O Connel, A new View of the
Yosemity Valley. Select

Frank Brady, Ambition — original
Florence " excused
Sally Miller A Walk "
Loella Hockell A Mother "

Literary exercises being over a proposition was made seconed and adopted, to this effect. That we as members of the Institute shall at next meeting, present a Question all ready written out to be deposited in the Question Box, Meeting then adjourned to meet September 27th 1/2 O Clock P.M.

Frank Brady
Secretary.

Lyceum report September 27th 1875

Meeting was called to order this evening at half past seven by the president Marie Wheeler. On roll call, it was found that Thomas Embree, Susan Liddel & Matilda Butler were found absent. A piece entitled we are Climbing up Jion's Hill was played and sung by the Choir. Then the Minutes of Previous Meeting were read and adopted Next, the election of Officers for the ensuing meeting. which resulted as follows Frank Brady President, Oliver Vice president and F J Embree Secretary. Now the general Exercises. repetition of rules. Declamation and compositions followed in there order. O C Hampton read an original essay entitled usurpation. Susanah Brady an original composition entitled Things are not allways as they appear. Marta Wheeler. a poem. by Willis. Julia Oconnell. an original composition Reason. Frank Brady. a select piece.

Here she goes and there she goes.
Florence Brady, an original Composition.
Hall. India Weldon declaimed
entitled inquirey. Lorrilla Hocket. dec
aimed The Doctor's Cyrse. Sallie
Miller attempted but failed on a
piece entitled remember me.
The exercises being now over
Elder Oliver made a motion, that
Susanah Brady be appointed a
committee of one to investigate
the cause of so much delinquicy
on the part of Susanah Liddell
and Matilda. I carried Meeting then
adjourned To meet again. October 17.

Julia Oconnell
Secretary.

Oct 18th 1875

Institute met at usual time and place, and opened with Frank Brady in the Chair,
Singing by the Choir was well performed, Upon Roll Call it was found that the Absentees were Susan Liddel, Susanah Brady Marie Wheeler and Sally Miller. The Minutes of last meeting were read and adopted. The Committee appointed at last meeting, to investigate cause of absentees being absent, being not present, Elder Oliver presented the substance of what would have been the report of said committee if present, from which it appears that Susan Liddel resigns her Membership in the institute A motion was made that said committee be discharged from further Labors, which was adopted
Election of Officers resulted as follows, President, Matilda Butler

Vice president, Flora Brady, Secretary India Weldon.
The repetition of elocutionary rules was then attended to, after which the regular Litterary exercises proceeded as follows. O C Hampton answered the question asked him at the last meeting which was "How did Rufus ascend the English Throne", giving a short history of said King and saying in direct answer to the question that he ascended the Throne in 1087. — He then read an account of numerous meteoric bodies which fell in Iowa in Feb. 1874.
Matilda Butler read an original Composition on Usefulness. Thomas Embree answered to the best of his ability the question directed to him at the last meeting "Who built Alhambra?" Then read an article "on Nature of roots". Julia O'connel answered the question "To what practical use can Mathematical knowledge be applied and then

"a remarkable Story" of a
Spiritualistic nature. Frank I Brady
answered the question "What is
the true character of Virtue", by a
reading based upon the question.
Flora Brady declined an article
Concerning "The Rainbow".
India Weldon answered the question
"What are some of the probities
pertaining to Humanity" and then
read a composition on Death.
L J Embree by request of Maria Wheeler
read her answer to questions
propounded to her at the last meeting.
After the Literary Exercises closed, it
was on motion resolved, That
L J Embree be appointed a committee
to solicit Andrew Corning to deliver
a lecture on Geology before the
institute, at our next meeting."
The President announced that
according to our rules, our meetings
hereafter, until farther announce-
ment, would take place once in
two weeks, instead of once in three

weeks as heretofore
The Institute then on motion
adjourned, to meet on the 1st of
November next at 7 1/2 O Clock.

T J Embree
Secretary.

Nov 1st 1870 "Lyceum Report"

The meeting convened at the usual
time and place, Matilda Butler
occupying the chair. India Weldon
Secretary. Upon roll-call it appeared
that Maria Wheeler, Julia Oconnell,
and Sallie Miller were absent.
The Minutes were then read & adopted.
Officers were next elected, T. J. Embree,
President, O. D. Hampton, Vice President
and Frank Brady Secretary. The
committee report Brother A.
Corning, unable at present, to
deliever a Lecture on Geology,
Hence, said committee discharged
from farther duty. Literary Exercises
commence. O. D. Hampton reads

an original composition entitled "Economy." Susanah M Brady reads original Composition entitled "Freedom of Mind" Matilda Butler reads a select piece entitled "To day and Tomorrow." L. J. Embree reads an original Composition entitled "The Influences of Rivers." Frank Brady reads a select piece entitled "The Missing Dog." Flora Brady reads a select piece entitled "A Political Pause." India Weldon excuses Lovella Lockett declaims a piece entitled "Lost." L J Embree reads a Composition of Maria Wheeler's entitled "a Scene at Home." On motion, it was resolved that we admit as many members to our Institute, who will at each meeting send a Written Contribution provided this does not conflict with any of our By Laws or Constitution. But is to be understood as a temporary arrangement for the winter. Meeting then adjourned to meet November 16th 1878. at 7½ P.M.

India Weldon Secretary.

Lyceum Report

Nov 15 1875.

Meeting convened at usual time & place. Music was performed by "Choir" Vocal & Instrumental. On roll call it was found that Susanah Brady & Matilda Butler were absent. Minutes were then read, amended and adopted as amended amendements, "(the Insertion of the announcement of adjournment)". The following officers were elected for next meeting. Julia Connell President. Flora Brady Vice President and Maria Wheeler Secretary. After the repeating of rules in elocution, the followed a resolution. Viz. resolved, that hereafter each person, who writes a composition, shall first write a rule of elocution on the paper on which the composition is written. Literary Exercises opens by O. Hamilton reading a selection entitled "More Leisure". one by L. Embree entitled "Prayer and Potatoes". one entitled "Morality" by Matilda B. " " " contemplations on review

of mankind" by Julia Oconnell,
one entitled "Compassion" by H Brad
" " "practice" " Florenc
" " "Happiness of controled
temper" by Thelia Weldon, one entitle
"putting ourselves in their place" by
Loretta Hockett, A Declamation
entitled "The Light House" by Sallie Mill
resolved, that we be furnished
with a list of phrases containing
some blanks at next meeting and
all write compositions. Ole Hamp-
ton announced "Ella" as Candidate for
admission and "Gus Pace" by J Embre
meeting adjourned to meet Nov. 29
7 o'clock P.M.

H H Brady
Secretary.

Secretary's Report

Union Village Nov. 29th 1875.

Meeting met at usual time & place
called to order by the President. The
Choir performed the exquisite piece
entitled "The Dying Boy," on roll

call, it was found that Susanah Brady, Matilda Butler and Flora Brady were absent. The Minutes were then read and adopted as they stood. after which, officers for next meeting were then elected O C Hampton President Frank Brady Vice president and T J Embree Secretary. In accordance with resolution passed last meeting, our rules of election were attached to the several readings of Articles. Thus spoken in connection with them, then followed the exercises in Literature. As a change in the Exercises, all contribute original articles. O C Hampton read an excellent article entitled "Reflections on our Lyceum"

Thomas Embree read one entitled "The Views of Life."
Maria Wheeler " " " "Outside Influences"
Julia Oconnell " " " "What we Know"
L H Brady " " " "Intellectual Advancement"
India Weldon " " " "The Lyceum"
Lora Hockett " " " "Unoccupied Moments"
Sally Miller " " " "Lost Time"

O C Hampton proposed arranging words for our Essays, an attached should be a grammatical exercise, which all should be requested to parse, But as the feeling was divided in regard to putting it to vote, it was let pass. In consequence of change of supper time being half an hour earlier, it was resolved that our time of meeting should be changed from half past 7 to quater before Seven, P.M. The time for adjournment having arived the meeting was adjourned to meet December 13th 1876. 6 3/4. P.M.

Maria Wheeler
Secretary.

Dec. 13th 1875

Institute called to order by O C Hampton, Singing by the "Choir" "Larry not here" Upon Roll call, every member responded to the Call, The minutes of last meeting were read and adopted, The following officers were elected for next meeting, President Matilda Butler, Vice President, India

Weldon, and secretary, Flora I Brady.
On motion it was concluded, that
as our new member Ella Buckly had
not yet read our constitution, she
should be allowed to participate
in the exercises this evening, and
formaly sign the constitution
at our next meeting. The Literary
exercises consisted of the following,
composition by O C Hampton. Subject "Dust
Selection by Susanah Brady "Being Ten.
Composition by Matilda Bubb, entitled
little scraps of disconnected Ideas.
Selected Poem read by J J Embree entitled
The Weavers song. Composition by
Maria Wheeler Called, review, expres
some ideas suggested by reading the
Autobyography of A J Davis.
Declamation by Julia Connell, of a
poem, entitled the "small & great,
Selection read by Frank I Brady
Doesticks Lament for his Friend,
Declamation by Flora Brady, of a poem
on the subject of "If the Right be strong
Select Poem, read by India Weldon,

"The Hunter's Legend Selection from Uncle Tom's Cabin for relation to Topsey's First Lesson read by Loretta Hockett. Declamation of a poem Entitled The Old school House by Sally Miller

Declamation by Ella Buckley of a poem The Contrast.

On Motion it was decided That Old Hampton prepare a list of words to be incorporated in our next compositions, and also a sentence which each member shall analyze and parse. It was also decided that the question box should be brought into requisition at our next meeting and each member be expected to deposit there in a question. It was announced that Augustus Hace withdraws his application for membership. Adjourned to meet December 27th 1870 at 6 3/4 Oclock P.M.

L J Embree

Secretary.

December 27th 1875.

Institute met at usual time & place. Matilda Butler in the Chair and Florence Brady Secretary. Music being in order, was performed by the Choir; both instrumentaly and Vocaly. On roll being called it appeard that Susanah Brady, Maria Wheeler, Loretta Hockett and Sally Miller were absent. The Minutes were then read and adopted. The following Officers were elected for next meeting. Frank Brady, as president, J. Embree, Vice president and O. C. Hampton Secretary. rules in Elocution were then repealed: after which Literary Exercises began. O. C. Hampton read an Original composition Subject Time. J. J. Embree read a piece entitled "The Wind and the breeze." Matilda Butler reads a piece "Select" entitled "Night." Julia O'Connel. original Composition. Subject Time Frank Brady. Original Composition

Subject Vegetable Kingdom. Florence and Indie "excused". Christmas Holidays interrupting them. Ella Buckley reads Original Composition Subject Winter. Then followed these Resolutions. (1)
Resolved that a sentence including words sufficient for the use of all said Sentence, to be analylized and one word to be parsed. There from by each of the said Members said word to be asigned to him or her by D. C. Hampton.
(2) It was moved that hereafter there be a new list of words prepared for the compositions of each alternate meeting, and that the members be redevideded so that one half of the members write composition and other half read or declaim. Adjourned to meet January the 10th 1876. 6 3/4 Oclock P.M.

Florence Brady.
Secretary.

January 10th 1876

Lyceum met at usual time and place. Meeting was opened by F Brady in the Chair. E O C Hampton Secretary. Upon roll call it was found a mark of Absense to the following members. Matilda Butler & Maria Wheeler. The Minutes were next read and adopted. The following Officers were elected for the next meeting. Julia Connel president India Weldon Secretary & Florence Brady Vice president. The time having arrived for repetition of rules & elocution. J J Embree moved that hereafter, the rules of elocution be repeated by each member previous to his or her reading of composition. Carried. next came Literary exercises as follows, O. C. H. Composition subject. "Development" Susan A. Brady Composition. subject "Old Age." J J Embree read a select Article entitled "Strange Phenomina of Mesmerism" or "Dual Individuality" Julia O'Connel read a select poem from Tennyson entitled "ring out the

old" Frank Brady read a composition entitled "War". Florence Brady read a piece entitled "The President's Message" India Weldon read a Composition entitled "Education" Loretta Hockett repeats a piece entitled "Musings" Sally Miller repeats a peace entitled "Industry" Ella Buckley repeated a poem entitled "Fair Bingen on the Rhine". We then moved to adjourn and meet Jan 24th 1876. 6 3/4 Oclock P.M.

O. C. Hampton
Secretary.

January 24th 1876.

Lyceum met at usual Time and place. Julia Connell occupying the Chair. Music was then performed by the Choir, upon roll being called it appeared that Susanah Brady Matilda Butler & Loretta Hockett were absent. Minutes were then read and adopted. Officers were then elected. T. L. Embree President O. C. Hamp.

Vice President & Frank Brady Secretary.
Literary exercises then began. O C Hampton read a select piece entitled "Stellar Astronomy." J Embree an original composition Subject "Wheat" Maria Wheeler an original composition entitled Words. Frank Brady, an original composition Subject. Religion" Florence Brady, reads an original composition India Weldon a select article entitled "A Search for Happiness" Sallie Miller a select piece entitled "Smile when ever you can" Ella Buckley an original composition subject Industrious Habits. The usual questions were next deposited in the Box and distributed to the Members. O C Hampton then moved an adjournment to meet Feb. 7th 1876. 6 3/4 P.M.

India Weldon
Secretary.

February 21. 1876.

Lyceum meets at the usual place & time. Meeting is called to order by chair. The Choir then performed a piece of music both Vocaly and instrumentaly, a song entitled "Take Thy Staff". The roll is then called showing absent Susanah Brady Matilda Butler, Indiana Weldon and Sallie Miller. The Secretary reads the minutes of previous Meeting and they are adopted as they stand. The following officers are elected O C Hampton President, F H Brady Vice President & J Embree Secretary. To preside at our next meeting, Literary Exercises begin O C Hampton reads an original Composition entitled How it is done. J Embree reads an original Composition Joan De Ark being the Title. Maria Wheeler reads one entitled "Our best Thoughts." Julia O Connel reads one entitled "Mans Destiny." Frank Brady reads a select piece entitled Oration of the Law." Florence is excused.

Lorretta Hockett reads original composition entitled "Hope." Ella Buckley reads a select piece entitled "As ways the World." A Vote is taken on the admission of Florence Martin resulting in her favor unanimously.

Resolved, That rule 10th of the rules for the Government of the institute be repealed, and hereafter, each of our regular meetings be open to the admission of Visitors. Meeting stands adjourned to meet March 6th 15 minutes past seven P.M.

Florence Brady
Secretary.

March 6th 1876.

Meeting is called to order by O. C. Hampton. A short piece of music is sung by the choir. On Roll Call it is found that Matilda Butler is the only Absentee, Sally Miller and India Weldon having ceased to be members. The election of officers for next meeting results in the choice of Julia O'Donnel for president Maria Wheeler Vice President and Loretta Hockett for Secretary.

The Literary Exercises are as follows, each person preceeding the regular exercise by a grambtical analysis of a sentence and some by answers to questions asked of them at the previous meeting.
Ol Hampton reads a composition on Utility, Susanah Brady reads a composition called Thoughts on Evening. J. Embree reads a selection entitled "Life", Maria Wheeler an original poem, a parody on "20 years ago". Julia O'Connel a composition, Subject "is Love a Myth" Frank Brady reads a composition on Music, Florence Martin reads one on Self Culture" Florence Brady declaims "Be Careful what you say"
Lorella Crockett declaims "The Golden Side" Ella Buckley " Guilty or not Guilty"
This finishing the regular exercise, on a motion a ballot is taken on the question of admitting Celesta Bowman to membership which resulted in a unanimous Verdict in her favor There being a number of visitors present

from Whitewater who seem to manifest an interest in the proceedings, on motion a vote of thanks is tendered them for their attendence and interest. Brother George Amory, one of the visitors replies, and makes some pleasant and encouraging remarks, on Motion, the Institute adjourns to meet march 20th at 7½ O'clock P.M.

T.J. Embree
Secretary.

March 20th 1876

Meeting convened at usual time and place. Julia O'Connell in the Chair Lorretta Hockett Secretary. Meeting is opened by a piece of Music entitled "Zion's Watchword," on roll call it appears that Matilda Butler and Maria Wheeler are absent. The minutes are then read and adopted. The following Officers are elected for next meeting. Frank Brady President T.J. Embree Vice President and O. Hampton Secretary. Next comes the Litterary exercises as follows. O. Hampton assumes the

Question. "What are the impediments if any in the way of introducing Instrumental Music into our Worship."
J Embree reads Composition entitled Conscience
Julia O'Connell declaimes. piece entitled The Rule of Success.
Grant Brady declaimes " "
Paisey's Essay.
Florence Martin reads Orig Comp. "
Hope.
Florence Brady declames a piece "
World's Weariness.
Lorella Hocket " " " "
Little Elbow Room.
Ella Buckley, reads an O. Comp. "
Order.
Maria Wheeler being absent sent in her contribution, entitled. "Contemplation".
After the exercises were finished there being no further Business before the Meeting, on Motion adjourned to meet Monday Eve, Apr 3rd 1876, at 7 P.M.

Lorella Hocket
Secretary.

Union Village April 3rd 76

Meeting Convened at usual time and place, Frank Brady in the Chair and O C Hampton Secretary, a Beautiful piece of Music was performed, entitled Kneeling at the Threshold, At roll Call it appeares that Susanah Brady, Matilda Butler and Loretta Hockett are Absent. Sisters Florence Martin and Celista Bowman next sign the Constitution & By Laws and Become Bonafide Members. next came the election of officers resulting in the Choice of Mara Wheeler President, Florence Brady Vice President and Florence Martin Secretary, Then Come the Exercises, all whose duty it is to supply Blanks to a composition given them for that purpose, have similar pieces to read. J J Embree reads an article on the Hydraulics of plants and especialy Ivies, Maria reads an original Composition entitled Hope.

Florence Martin, O C Hampton
Secretary

Union Village Ohio
April 17th 76

Meeting convenes at the usual time and place. The president and Vice president not being present Matilda Butler is elected President pro tem. Music by the Choir upon roll call it appears that Julia Occonell, Frank Brady, Florence Brady & Loretta Rockell are absent. Minutes of the previous meeting are read by the secretary and unanimously adopted. Then follows the election of officers for next meeting resulting as follows, J. Embree President, Frank Brady Vice president and O. C. Hampton Secretary. The Literary Exercises begin consisting of a Verbal and written debate, subject being Which has the greater elevating and refining moral influence, Flowers or Music. The following Members are in favor of Flowers, J. Embree Susanah Brady, Florence Martin, Those in favor of Music are Matilda Butler, Ella Bickley O. C. Hampton resulting in a Tie, but one of the

Members previously in favor of Flowers standing 9 piles. It is still a tie. but the president casting a vote decides it in favor of music. The subject is then defered for composition (written) at next meeting The Motion for adjournment being in order. The Meeting stands adjourned to meet on May 1st 2 quarter past seven P.M.

Florence Martin
Secretary.

Union Village May 1, 76,

Meeting convenes at Music Hall and at usual time, Music being first on the programe. The Choir performs a piece, entitled The sweet bye and bye upon roll call, Florence Brady is found absent. The Election of officers being next in order, Julia O'Connell is chosen President, Florence Martin Vice President and Matilda Butler Secretary, next follow the literary exercises, which consist of an essay by each Member upon the following Question Viz, which exerts the greater influence in refining and elevating humanity. Music or Flowers

The following members spoke in favor of Music, Ole Hampton, Matilda Butler, J. H. Brady, J. Embree Celista Bowman Loretta Hockett and Ella Buckley. Those in favor of Flowers are, Maria Wheeler Julia O'Connell and, Florence Martin Susanah Brady favors Both on motion it is resolved That Music exerts a greater degree of refining and elevating influence upon humanity than Flowers. Carried a Motion is made, subject to this amendment, That we recommence our Gramatical exercises in manner and form following (Viz) That each Member upon the Evening he or she is to declaim or read a selection, shall also have a gramatical exercise, while those who read compositions on said evening are excused. on Motion it is carried on Motion it is likewise resolved To reasign the exercises to the Members according to age, each

alternate member to write an original composition, and each alternate member to read a selection or declaim a piece. It is further resolved that Carried we set aside rule of, meeting once in 3 weeks, after the first monday in may and continue to meet once in two weeks. Carried

Meeting adjourns to meet may 10th at Prayers at 7,15 P.M.

O. C. Hampton
Secretary.

Union Village May 22nd 76.

The Institute met at the usual hour at music Hall, The meeting is called to order by the President, Julia Oconnell Music by the Choir, A piece entitled Jesus is my shepherd, upon roll Call it is found that Thomas Embree and Celista Boroman are absent, Minutes of the previous Meeting are read and accepted as they stand. Election of Officers for next meeting

resulted in the nomination of
O C Hampton President Frank
Brady Vice President and J J Embree
Secretary. The Literary Exercises
then follows. O C Hampton. original
composition. subject memory.
Susanah Brady reads a select
piece entitled solitude. by Annie Clay
Matilda Butler an original composition
subject Estimation of Character
Nora Wheeler. original Poem. entitled
After noon thoughts. Julia O'Connel
declaims a piece, subject. do as
near right as you can. Frank Brady
original composition, subject, Social
enjoyment, Florence Martin. a select
piece entitled the Gifts of the Gods.
Florence Brady. original composition
subject Beauties of nature. Lorretta
Hockett. original composition. subject
society. Ella Buckley declaimes a
piece entitled suppose. This
Concludes the Exercises. O C Hampton
gives in Bro. George Clingman's name
as an applicant for Membership

to be acted upon at our next meeting
on Motion it was resolved that every
member prepare a question to put
in the box at next meeting, on Motion
We adjourn to meet on the 29th of
May as we did not meet at the
proper time; which was the 10th
in consequence of which we meet
as above stated May 29th at
Quator past Seven P.M. 1876.

Matieda Butler
Secretary.

Lyceum May 29th 76
Institute meets at the Usual
time and place and is called
to order by the chair. On account
of the absence of the regular
Secretary, Frank Brady was elected
Secretary pro. Tem. The following
music entitled "Reading at the
Threshold". The Roll is then called
showing absent, The following
members. Thomas J Embree,
Florence Brady Celista Bowman

and Lorretta Hocket. The Minutes being read, are adopted as they stand. Next follows the election of Officers for next meeting. Maria Wheeler President, Florence Martin Vice President, and Julia O'Connell Secretary. Rules are then repeated according to requirement after which C. Hampton opens the Literary Exercises by reading a composition from Miss Haywood the Principal of the High School of Aberdeen, many excellent points well worthy the attention it received. Susanah is excused. Matilda Butler reads a piece entitled, There's Beauty everywhere. Maria Wheeler reads a Poem entitled "Statue". Julia O'connel reads an original composition on a quotation from Scripture. Frank Brady speaks a piece entitled "no halfway doings" Florence Martin reads an original composition entitled. "Forgiving Love" Ella Buckley reads an original composition entitled. Manners.

This concluding the Exercises, Frank Brady moved that George Clingman be admitted as a Member of the Lyceum, said Motion deemed necessary on account of the Absence of Ballot Box. The Motion is carried unanimously in favor of his admittance. The several Questions are then presented by the Members to be distributed according to each address. On Motion adjourned to meet Monday 12th June 1876. at 2 quarter past seven P.M.

Frank Brady
Secretary.

Lyceum Union Village
June 12th - 76.

Institute meets half past seven at the usual place, and is called to order by the President Maria Rhudy. First thing in order is music by the Choir entitled, how can we sing the Praises of Jesus. The roll is next called. Showing absent

Susanah P Brady. The Minutes of last meeting are next read, and are adopted as they stand. The Elections of officers for the ensueing Meeting is in order, and results as follows, George Clingman President, Frank Brady Vice President and O Hampton Secretary. The Literary Exercises are then commenced by O Hampton reading an original composition, entitled the Second Cycle, Matilda Butler reads a selection entitled Familiar Letters, Thomas Embree reads a selection entitled What is to be seen at the Centenial, by an Irishman, Maria Wheeler answers a scientific question and reads an original composition. Julia Connell answers two Questions, has an exercise in Grammar, and declaims a poem entitled "Wishing." Frank Brady reads an original Composition, entytled "Mental Improvement, Florence Martin, answers two questions, has a Grammar Exercise and declaims a poem, entitled My Creed. George Clingman declaims

The Dogmatic Creed Florence Brady reads a selection entitled The Value of an education. Loretta Hockett reads a selection entitled The Ocean. Ella Buckley declaims a poem, entitled "Gives us a call" This concluding the exercises O'Hampton arose to defend articulation. by firstly stating that any person seated Five or Eight feet apart from the performer, could not possible understand what was being performed, and secondly he urged that an increase in articulation and force of voice be sought to gained this was strongly backed up by J J Embree Who, also felt that we were delinquent in this respect. Next J. J. Embree moved that in the future when supper was changed to half past seven, carried, on motion adjourned to meet Monday 26th June at half past seven.

Julia O'Connell
Secretary.

Lyceum Union Village

July 10th 1876.

Institute met at usual time and place, Maria Wheeler in the Chair Florence Brady secretary. upon roll call it appeared that all the Members were present, next in order was Music a piece entitled "How Can I sing the praise of Jesus." The minutes were then read and adopted as they stood Next in order was the election of offices for next meeting, resulting as follows, Frank Brady President O.E. Hampton Vice Pres. and Ged" Clingman secretary, next came the Literary Exercises, O. Hamp. read a poem entitled "The poets Greeting" Susanah Brady read an original Comp. entitled Hope. Matilda read an Orig. Composition, subject Light & Shaddows, follow us. G.J. Embree read a poem entitled "Why dont the Working Man go to Church." Maria Wheeler read a poem entitled, Life's shaddows. F. Brady read an original Comp. subject "Geology" Julia O'Connell read an original Comp subject "Crumbs" George Clingman

declaimed a piece entitled "Lenaint old Temperance poem". Florence Brady declaimed a piece entitled Dried Apple Pies. Lovella Hockett read an original composition, subject, "Vanity." Ella Buckley declaimed a piece entitled "Drunk for a Week." The Exercises being over It was moved & seconded that hereafter the Bell be rung at 15 minutes after seven, and at the next change, twenty-five minutes past seven, carried. Adjourned to meet July 24th 1876.

Florence Brady
Secretary

July 24 76. Lyceum,
Institute met at the usual time and place. Frank Brady in the chair George Clingman Secretary, upon roll being called, C. Enoree, Maria, Wy and Florence Brady were found present. Music was performed by the choir, a piece entitled "Kneeling at the Threshold" The minutes were read and amended, so as to read Florence Brady pro. Tem. instead of Ella Buckley, next came the

elections, Matilda B. President Julia C. Vice President and Loretta H. Secretary. next in order came the Literary Exercises Ole Hampton read an original composition entitled "self discipline." Susan B. Brady read a selection, entitled "Discourse of Dr. Talleys with a beggar." Matilda Butler read a piece entitled "The Good of it." Julia C. read a piece entitled "Every Day." Frank Brady read "The seminoles reply." George Ching read an Orig. Comp. subject Intemperance a curse to Mankind." Loretta Hockell read a piece entitled "To the Water Fowl" Ella Buckley read an original Comp. entitled "Reflection." The exercises being over, the Visitors then made a few remarks which were encouraging to the Members, Ole Hampton then arose to remind the members that two weeks was the length of time that any book should be retained by the member without violating the Regulations of the Institute and Hoped it would be strictly observed hereafter.

and also to promptly return those borrowed whose length has extended over the proper time. The Question Box was then passed around, nothing further on hands, we adjourned to meet Aug 7, 1876 at seven and a half o'clock. 7½ P.M.

George Clingman
Secretary.

Lyceum Aug 7th 76.

Lyceum met at the usual time and place. Matilda Butler in the chair. A beautiful piece entitled, "Spiritual Voices" was sung and played by the Choir. upon roll call it appeared that Susanah Brady was absent. The election of Officers for next meeting took place. O.B. Hampton president Frank Brady Vice Pres. and George Clingman Secretary. The Literary exercises then began by O.B. Hampton reading a select piece entitled a Eulogy on Thos. Paine, Matilda Butler an original Composition subject, "The Value of educating the mind" Maria Wheeler read a select piece, entitled, "Beauty" "A dangerous gift" Julia O'Connell

read a composition original, subject "A conversation" Frank Brady read an original Comp. subject, Comparison of Preacher & Teacher, George Clingman declaimed a piece, entitled, "Conscience and Judgement." Florence Brady read a select piece entitled "The Mountain Burial, Loretta Hockett read an orig. Comp. subject, self esteem. Ella Buckley select piece entitled "busy bodies." At the close of the exercises, the name of Michael Donovan was proposed as a member of the Lyceum. To be acted upon at the next meeting. Ole Hampton then offered the following resolution, (Viz) Resolved that those who furnish original compositions at the next meeting, shall incorporate therein a list of words provided by said Ole Hampton, Carried. Adjournment being in order, we adjourned to meet Aug 28 at 7½ Oclock in the Evening.

Loretta Hockett

Secretary

Aug 27, 76.

Meeting convened this morning at

the Dwelling House, for the purpose of admitting Michael Donovan as a Member of the Institute, and by a proposition made by O. C. Hampton said Michael was received by a Unanimous Vote,

Lyceum Union Village O.
Aug. 28. 1876.

Meeting convened at music Hall and on Aug. 28. 4th instead of 21. the usual time, Postponement caused by sickness of some of its members, Oliver spoke in relation to the absence of the regular secretary, and by Motion of Michael Donovan Frank Brady was elected secretary pro Tem, A piece of Music was then sung and played by the Choir, entitled "How can we sing the praise of Jesus" the roll being called, George Clingman was found absent, the Minutes were then read and adopted as they stood, then followed the election of officers resulting as follows. Julia O'Donnell president Florence Boddy Vice president

and Maria Wheeler secretary. The following is the programme of the Literary Exercises,

"Contentment" Orig. Comp. by O. C. Hampton
"Women's rights" " " Susanah Brady
"The great principal of Love," orig Comp. by M. Butler
"in small duties"
"Afternoon Meditation" orig. Comp. by Maria Wheeler
"Laboring" " " " Julia Connell
"Happiness" " " " Michael Donen
"Doesticks Lament" select piece " Frank Brady
"True Christianity" Orig. Comp. " Florence "
"Ox Linden" select piece " Loretta Hockett
"Education" Orig. Comp. " Ella Buckley.

This concluding the Exercises, the questions Written by the members, were handed to the secretary and read. Julia Connell made a proposition to this effect, Resolved, That hereafter no question shall be put in the question Box, which is either trifling or irrevolent, but, that every question shall be of a character calculated to benefit both the questioner and

Questioned. carried During the performance of the Literary exercises, there arose a discussion of a gramatical character between Giles B. Avery, second in the Ministry and O. C. Hampton, but terminating undecisively, as it was considered an infringment on the decorum of the Meeting. at the Conclusion of the Meeting Elder Daniel Boler, made some comments on the cultivation of the Language especialy binding on the Young. Elder Giles B. Avery, made comments on the following subjects "Cultivation of Mind & Soul" "as well as body", and on pronunciation and Etiquette. Adjournment being in order, was after recieveing second to the said Motion, adjourned to meet, September 4th 76. at half past seven Oclock.

Frank V Brady,
Secretary.

Union Village Ohio.
Sept. 4th 76.

Lyceum met at usual time and place Julia O'Connell in the chair. meeting opened by the choir, performing the sweet little piece entitled "Homeward." On roll call it was found that George Clingman and Loretta Hockett were absent. The minutes were then read and adopted, as they stood. The election of officers then followed. Viz O. C. Hampton President, Mike O'Donovan Vice President Frank Brady Secretary. The literary exercises were then performed by the several members.

"Scenes of nature." original. by O. C. Hampton
" " " Select. " S. W. Brady.
"Rock me to sleep Mother." " " Matilda. B.
"The Life wreck" " " Mary J. Wheeler
"Still Live" " " Michael D.
"Life's Lesson" " " Julia Orr.
"Old Memories" Original " Frank J. Brady
"The street sweeping Machine" Select. " Florence. B.
"A penny for your Thots" " " Ella Buckley

The exercises being concluded, then followed the miscelaneous business which was briefly disposed of. Firstly the announcement of the proposed time of meeting from 7.30 to 7. o'clock Secondly, O. C. Hampton gave us a more thourough explanation of the necessity of good articulation, then followed a remark by Oldres Elizabeth that we did not give sufficient attention to this subject in our general intercourse throughout the day and week and suggested that we criticise each other. We then adjourned to meet september 18th 7. P. M.

Maria Wheeler
Secretary.

Union Village Ohio
Sept. 24th 76

Lyceum met at the usual time & place
O. C. Hampton in the chair. All
appeared upon roll call that Mates
& Michael were absent. Music was
performed by the Choir. Title of piece
being "My Savior's Throne." The minutes
of last meeting were read and adopted
by with slight amendment. The
election of Officers then followed
choosing Maria Wheeler for President
Florence Brady Vice president & Loretta
Secretary. Literary exercises now follow
namely. O. C. Hampton read a select
poem by W. C. Bryant, entitled "The Flood
of years" S. M. Brady, original Comp.
entitled "Aim at Ongenuity." Maria W.
declaimed a piece + subject. Mrs. John Lee
Frank Brady declaimed "The supposed
Speech of an Indian Chief."
Julia Coyne read an original comp.
entitled "Hold the truth the righteous"
Florence Brady read an original Comp.
entitled "Our Lyceum" Loretta Hocket

declaimed a piece entitled "Reform."
Ella Buckley declaimed a Poem, entitled
"Let us have peace".
on motion it was resolved that Florence
Brady be Janitor for the present term.
Carried. It was then proposed by
Mike Michael Donovan's name from
the roll. Carried. We then adjourned
to meet Oct. 2nd 7 P.M.

F. Brady
Secretary.

Union Village Oct. 2nd 76
Lyceum convened at usual time & place.
Maria Wheeler in the chair. Music was then
performed. Titled "Sunday School Volunteer Song"
on roll call it was found that Susanah Brady
and Matilda Butler were absent, a. b. The
minutes were then read and adopted with
slight amendment. next the election of
officers. O. C. Hampton President George
Chipman Vice president & Frank Brady
Secretary, next the Literary exercises, each
member Contribis His or Her exercises. Gave
definitions to the list of words alloted for them
which resulted Successfully and Remarkably

"Well done" Was resolved next meeting to remove to the School room. So continued. Till adjourned to meet Oct. 16th 7 o'clock. Monday Eve.

Lou. Hockett
Secretary.

Union Village Oh. 16th 76.
Convened at the usual time and original place. "School House" order being called The Choir sung a piece entitled. "Marching on" The roll was then called. Matilda Butler, George Clingman, and Florence Brady were found absent. The minutes being read, a motion was made and seconded to postpone the reading of the same to next meeting Carried. election of officers next took place. Julia O'Connell President. Maria Wheeler Vice president and Ella Secretary. Literary exercises then opened by O Hampton reading an original composition entitled. Self-abnegation Susie Brady, Select. Joan D. Ark. Maria Wheeler original, Joseph Ark. Julia Connell Select, Edinburg.

Frank J Brady, original, entitled, Natural Animate
Loretta Hockett " " Public Opinion
Ella Buckley " " Character
Exercises being over, the following resolutions
were passed. Moved & Seconed, that for our
next meeting, compositions written
will be an expansive elaboration of
some small word, as an, at, on, & so forth
It was amended so as, to conclude the
defining of a given number of words,
either of which being at the option of
the writer, adopted as amended.

It was resolved that George Chings
name be stricken from the roll,
being clouded in doubt as regards
the legitimate character of said
Nation. It was withdrawn, again
Moved and Seconded and Carried.
Meeting then adjourned to meet Oct.
30th 87, P.M.

Frank Brady
Secretary

Union Village Ohio
Oct. 30th 76

The Lyceum met at the usual time & place. Julia in the chair. meeting being called to order, the Choir performed a piece entitled "The Savior reigns," upon roll call it appeared that all the members were present. The reading of the minutes then took place The Minutes of (Oct. 2) were first read. and adopted without amendment. The minutes of oct. 16th were next read, and adopted as they stood. The election of officers then took place, namely, Frank Brady, President, Oliver Hampton Secretary. It was resolved that should the president be absent from the next meeting, Matilda Butler officiates as President pro-Tem. Carried. They followed the literary exercises which were as follows.

O. Hampton. Original, entitled, Expansion of the word "An".

Susanah Brady, Expansion of word "at."

Matilda Butler Select. entitled. "Over the Dam.

Maria Wheeler. Select. Entitled "Watch you well,"
Julia Connel. Original Definitions"
Frank Brady. Select. "On the revolution"
Florence " " " "To Seneca Lake"
Loretta Hockett " " "The Well digger"
Ella Buckley Original Definitions
This concluding the exercises, it was
resolved that no more attention be paid
to the choosing of both sexes for office
Lost. The reading of a plan concerning
the distribution of several questions.
with the leave of the Lyceum is to be
read at the next meeting, meeting
then adjourned to meet Nov. 13th
1876,

Ella Buckley,
Secretary.

Union Village Ohio
Nov. 13th 1876.

Meeting there convened at the usual time & place. Frank H Brady in the chair. The beautiful piece of Chh. music entitled "Kneeling at the Threshold" was performed by the Choir. Upon roll call it appeared that Matilda A. Butler was absent. The minutes of the meeting of the 30th of Oct. was next read and adopted as they stood. The election of officers for the next meeting being now in order proceeding Maria Wheeler for President Loretta Hockett Vice president and Florence J Brady Secretary. The Literary exercises now followed. (Viz) Ol Hampton Original composition entitled Egotism. Susanah M Brady, read a Select Poem entitled "Geneva" F. H. Brady, Poetical definition of the word Ivy. Florence J Brady an original composition. Subject "Industry." Loretta Hockett defined a number of words. Ella Buckley a Select article in Poetry. Title not known. Maria Wheeler read a Disquisition on

the word if The literary exercises being concluded the following resolutions were offered. 1st Resolved that the office of Vice president be abolished and that hereafter in the absence of the president elect; A president pro Tem- be elected. 2nd Resolved that a plan for furnishing questions for the question box, by which 3 members shall be employed to furnish questions for the remaining Six at each alternate meeting for furnishing questions and in such rotation that an equal burden will devolve upon each individual & none will be exempt. 3rd resolved that the exercises be more equally apportioned to the members so that half will furnish original & half selected exercises. all three were carried during the meeting. Cyphas Holloway offered the name of Thomas Westby as a Candidate for membership in our Lyceum to be definitely acted upon at our next Meeting. Bro. John Wolen who was in attendance spoke, at the close of the meeting, as being highly gratified and

encouraged with the proceedings and thankful for the privelege of attending the Meeting then adjourned to meet Nov 27th proximo at 7 o'clock P.M.

O.C. Hampton.
Secretary.

Nov 27th Union Village Ohio

Meeting convened at the proper place and time. Maria Wheeler in the chair. Music was then performed by the Choir Instrumentaly and Vocaly. A piece entitled "Antioch" The roll was then called, representing Matilda Butler and Susanah Brady as absentees. The minutes were read and adopted. The following officers were elected for next meeting. O.C. Hampton President and Frank Brady Secretary. The Literary exercises were opened by O.C. Hampton reading a select article entitled, Slavery Susana Brady. an Original Composition entitled, ingenuity

Julia A. Condell read extract. Title unknown

Frank Brady read a select article entitled on the revolution by Patrick Henry. Florence read an article, entitled The street-sweeping Machine. Loretta Hoeltzel recited. This ending the literary exercises a motion was made to admit Thomas Westby as a Member of the Lyceum. Carried. We then adjourned to meet Jan. 1, 1877 at 7 o'clock P.M.

Florence Brady
Secretary.

Monday Jan. 1, 77.

Union Village Progressive Institute met as usual at the proper time and place C. C. Hampton in the chair and Frank Brady secretary. Roll being called F. H. Brady Matilda A. Butler Maria Wheeler and Ella Buckley were found absent. Music was then performed by the Choir, a piece entitled O I would love him. Minutes were then read and adopted as amended, said amendment being the addition of the resolution neglected at the previous meeting, which

it resolved that a committee be appointed to revise our Constitution and By Laws Accordingly O C Hampton, Maria Wheeler Julia O'Connell and Frank Brady were chosen by the president as a committee The following officers were elected. Florence J Brady President and Loretta Hockett Secretary. Litterary exercise were opened by O C Hampton, reading an original Composition, subject Evolution, Julia O'Connell, excused, Frank J Brady read an original Composition, Subject Music, Loretta Hockett an original Composition, subject, Blessings of the day, This closing the exercises. The committee were ready with the revision of the Constitution and By Laws. No action was taken upon it as there was an insufficient number of members to proceed according to parliamentary usage, a motion was made for Adjournment, Adjourned to meet Jan 15th 1877 at Fifteen Minutes before Seven P M.

Frank Brady,
Secretary.

Union Village Jan. 15th 1877.

The extreme cold weather induc'd the members to hold their meeting this ev'g in No. 3 of the dwelling house. Florence Brady occupied the chair & Loretta Hackett was Secretary. On acc't of the absence of the Organ, music was dispens'd with, on a motion to that effect. On Roll-call it appeared that S. M. Brady Mira Wheeler & Ella Buckley were absent. The election of Officers for the next meeting now follow'd, & this election was made retro-active to accord with a provision of our forth coming revision & modification of our Constitution & By-Laws. To this end Frank Brady was appointed President & O. C. Hampton Secretary; each to hold his of office for 4 consecutive meetings. Literary exercises now commenc'd & proceeded as follows,

O. C. Hampton	Original comp.	Life Fits equivalents
M. A. Butler	" "	The little word By.
L. Hackett	" "	The Ocean.
Julia O'Connell	select article	" Pass it on.
Frank Brady	" "	" The Revolution
Florence Brady	declaim'd	" Keep straight on.

Upon concluding the exercises, & on motion of one of the members, O. C. H. read the Report of the committe appointed by the last meting to revise the Constetution & By-Laws of the Organization, which was adopted unanimously without amendment & the committee discharg'd further duty thereupon. On motion the meeting now adjourn'd to meet Jan. 29.th prox. at 7 O'clock P.M.

Loretta Hockett
Secretary.

Union Village Jan. 29.th 1877.

Lyceum convened at the usual time & place; F. H. Brady in the chair & O.C.H. Secretary. Meting was call'd to order by the President precisely on time. Members all responded to their Names at Roll-call. The piece entitled "The Savior's Love" was performed by the choir;- after which the minutes of the last meting were adopted with a slight amendment.— Sept com-menc'd the literary exercises which were as follows (viz) ———

O. C. Hampton - Article from an elocutionary work entitled "Voice and Action". (ment.
S. M. Brady Orig. comp. Sub. "Spiritual develop
M. A. Butler Select article " "Live & let live".
M. A. Wheeler " " " "Cometh the Night."
J. O'Connell Orig. comp. " "Can we Know"
F. H. Brady " " " "Justice"
Florence Brady " " " "Over & Over.
Loretta Hockett. Select Art. (Decl.) "What is noble
Ella Buckly " " " "Somebody."
After this, on motion it was resolv'd 1.st To adopt some plan for varying the exercises in compositions for the next two meetings
2. That this plan should be, to take two subjects capable of comparison, & evidently capable of two conclusions, as to their peculiar characteristics, in contrast with one an other as to their benefit to the race.
3 That accordingly we write upon the following (viz) Which is most beneficial, to study man as we find him in past history or as we observe him by close acquaintance & as far as possible, discover his secret Heart-history as our intimate relations with him unfold it in the present? These resolutions were carried in the affirmative
after

after which the meeting adjourn'd to meet Feb. 12th prox. at 7 Oclock P.M.

C. C. Hampton
Secretary.

Constitution & By Laws of the Union Village Progressive Institute as revised & adopted Jan 15th 1877.

Article 1. Our Organization shall be call'd "The Union Village Progressive Institute.

Art. 2d. Its object shall be the enlightenment improvement, progress & refinement of its members in every way.

Art 3d. It shall be organiz'd by the appointment of a President & Secretary, whose duties shall be those usually devolving upon such Officers.

Art 4th. The business of its meetings shall be conducted according to the Rules of Parliamentary usage.

Art 5th. Any and all laws in this constitution & By-Laws may be amended or repeal'd

by the concurrence of 2/3 of the members of the Association when 3/4 of said members shall be convened at one of their regular meetings.

Art 6th. Three members of the Institute (viz) two Males and one female or two females & one Male, shall constitute a Quorum, which shall be deem'd capable of transacting any business of the Institute, except the revision or modification of the Constitution & By-Laws.

Art. 7th All business, except that pertaining to the Constitution & By-Laws, shall be decided upon, by a Majority vote.

Art. 8th All the members of this Institute shall be required to sign their names to the Constitution & By-Laws of the same as an earnest of their intention to be govern'd by the same; and no person shall become a member, until such signature is made in presence of the members at one of their regular meetings.

Art. 9th Any person desiring to become a member of this Institute, shall make application in writing, in peron or thro'

some already existing member which application shall be voted upon at the next meeting following such application. If a majority vote adversely said application shall be referr'd to the Ministry, with a report of such adverse decision, & it shall be left with said Ministry to decide the matter.

By-Laws.

1. The regular order of proceedings, at the meetings shall be;
   (a.) Call to order by the President.
   (b.) Roll-Call.
   (c.) Music by the Choir.
   (d.) Literary Exercises.
   (e.) Miscellaneous Business.
   (f.) Adjournment.

Provided that this regular order may be varied at the will & pleasure of the Institute when occasion requires.

2. The President & Secretary shall hold their Offices for the term of 4 consecutive regular meetings or until their successors shall be appointed.

3d " At all informal or irregular meetings of the Institute, the Officers of the last preceding meeting shall officiate.

4th " In writing Compositions, Beginners or those who are painfully embarrass'd in their efforts may apply for aid to those of the regular members able to contribute such aid.

5th " The members of the Institute shall take part in the literary exercises according to age, & shall be divided into two classes, one of which shall prepare and read written compositions, on some subject which each shall choose for him or herself;— the other class shall read or declaim an Article from some other source, the classes to be so arrang'd that Alternate original Compositions & selected articles shall be read, & still maintain the regular order according to age.

6th " Debates may at any time be introduced at the pleasure of the Institute

but in no case shall the debate be confined to two contestants alone but all members who feel able, shall be expected to participate therein. When a debate is in progress each member shall have opportunity to speak not exceeding 10 minutes on the subject under consideration, & shall promptly desist when his time is called by the President. No member shall speak a second time, until all have had an opportunity to speak once.

7. Immediately after the regular exercises, a motion to adjourn shall be in order & if no one makes such motion previous to 9 Oclock P.M. it shall be the duty of the secretary to do so.

8. Visitors shall always be freely admitted to the meetings of the Institute

9. There shall be a standing invitation to the Ministry, & Elders of the Chh. to attend any of the meetings of the Institute & to speak to the

same if they so desire.

10. The subject of Woodhull or any similar subjects, shall not be discuss'd in the meetings of the Institute.

11. Each member shall endeavor to be at the place of meeting at, or before the time of commencing the exercises

12. No uncourteous behavior or conversation shall ever be allow'd among the members of this Institute while in convention, & any member offending in this manner shall be required to apologize to the meeting, for thus compromising the dignity & disturbing the harmony thereof. A refusal to apologize in accordance with this interdict shall be deem'd an offence sufficient to suspend the offending party until a compliance is rendered.

13. From the 1st Monday in May until the first Monday in October the meetings of the Institute shall

take place once in 3 weeks & during the remaining months of the year once in 2 weeks.

14. No criticism derogatory to the Administration of the affairs of our Community in general, nor any officers or members thereof shall be brot into the Institute by writing or otherwise.

15. When the ayes & Noes shall be too feeble to be too feeble to be satis= factory to the President, he or she shall exact a rising vote on the question under consideration.

16. Any member who shall be ab= sent from two consecutive meetings, for any except una= voidable cause, shall be deem'd to have resign'd membership & the name of such person shall be stricken from the roll. (mittance Any such person desiring re-ad must make application as a new mber.

17. The secession of any member from

whatever cause, shall be reported in the Minutes, & the name of such member shall be under scored in the list as a token that said member is not to be read at roll-call.

Signed by the Committee of Revision this fourth of February A.D. 1877.

Com. of Rev. { O. C. Hampton. F. H. Brady. Julia O'Connell.

Signatures of the Members in agreement with Art. 8th of this Constitution

O. C. Hampton
F. H. Brady.
Matilda Annie Butler
Maria Wheeler.
Maggie Collins.
Florence Brady.
Loretta Hockett.
Susanna M Brady
Ella Buckley
Louisa Weldon.
Lizzie C. Macy.

Union Village Feb. 12th 1877.

Lyceum met at the usual time & place; F. H. Brady in the chair. On motion it was resolvd unanimously that Maggie Collins be, & she is hereby admitted as a member of the Institute Upon roll-call Julia O'connell Elba Buckley & Susanna M. Brady had not put in an appearance. The piece entitled, "Out on the fathomless Sea" was performd by the Choir. The minutes were next read and adopted, of the preceding meeting. The literary exercises were next in Order & were as follows.

O. C. Hampton. Orig. Comp. Sub. Quest. propd at last M.
M. A. Butler. " " " " " " "
M. Wheeler. " " " " " " "
L. Hockett. " " " " " " "
F. H. Brady — Select piece (declaimd) Sub. Der Venter.
F. J. Brady — " " (declaimd) " Put down the Breaks.

The members present then signd their names to the Constitution & By-Laws as lately revisd; after which the Committee on questions handed the same to the Secretary for distribution among

the members. On motion, the meeting was adjourn'd to meet on Monday evening Feb. 26th proximo at 15 min. past 7 Oclock in the Evening.

O. C. Hampton
Secretary.

Union Village Feb. 26th 1877.

Lyceum open'd at usual place and time with F. H. Brady in the Chair & O. C. H. as Secretary. The Absentees were Maria, Julia & Florence, were absent. "Shall we gather at the River" was sung & played by the Choir. The minutes being read, of the last meeting were adopted without amendment. The literary exercises were next in order (Viz.)

O. C. H. Original Comp. Sub. "Thus I think".
F. M. Brady Orig. " " Quest. prop. at last meeting. Mrs. Butler. Select Poem by Emerson Sub. "Boston."
F. H. Brady. Orig. Comp. on quest prop. at last meeting
Maggie Collins — Select piece, Subj. "Fowls of the air"
Loretta Hockett — " poem " "Fire of driftwood"
Ella Buckley Orig. Comp. Sub. Question propos'd at meeting before last. It was next resolv'd

that at our next meeting each member should select & read an Article from some Standard Author, as an exercise in Elocution in which attention to inflection, articulation, & an effort to render the exact meaning of the author chosen, should receive particular prominence. The meeting was then adjourn'd to meet March 12th proximo at 7¼ Oclock P. M.

O C Hampton.
Secretary.

Union Village March 19th 1877.

Lyceum met at usual time and place, F. H. Brady in the chair & O. C. Hampton Secretary Upon Roll-call Matilda-Maria Julia & Flora fail'd to respond. The sweet piece of Music entitled "What a friend we have in Jesus" was pormorm'd by the Choir & well sung & play'd. The minutes of the preceding meeting were then read & on motion adopted as they stood. The election of Officers for next 4 consecutive meetings resulted in choosing Loretta Hockett for President

& Florence J. Brady Secretary. The exercises were now commenc'd. O. C. Hampton read a Poem entitl'd "The Haunted House" (by Hood) S. M. Brady read a poem "Woman's conclusion" by Alice Cary. F. H. Brady - A Negro Prayer. Maggie Collins read a Prose article very well gotten up indeed, entitled "The second Birth" Loretta Hockett read a poem entitled "The last day." Ella Buckley read a poem entitled "The world would be the better for it." This ended the exercises & it was next arranged on motion of O. C. Hampton, that those who were to write compositions for next meeting should be furnish'd with a list of words to be incorporated therein. Also the exercises were reassign'd to the members. It was also resolved that the committee on questions who fail'd to furnish the same this evening, be, & they are hereby required to furnish said questions at our next meeting without fail. On motion the meeting adjourn'd to meet March 26th at 7 Oclock P.M.

O. C. Hampton
Secretary.

Union Village
March 26

Lyceum met at
Usual time and
place. "Matilda" in the Chair. Pro. Tem.
On Roll Call the Absentees were "Susanna"
"Maria," "Maggie" and "Flora" Ella.
The Choir
performed the peice Entitled "Love floats on the
breeze of the Changes." The Minutes of the
previous Meeting were then read and adopted as
they stood. Kept in Order
The
Literary Exercises.
"O. C. Hampton" read a Composition
Entitled "Toems and Foems."
"Matilda" Select peice entitled "Human Progress"
"Julia" a Composition "On Question before Mentioned"
"Frank" Select peice Entitled "Catalines Defiance"
"Ella" Declamation "Hope, Faith, Love"
This Concluded the Exercises.
Being the Evening for the "Question Box"
On "Julia" being the Only member of the
Committee present. O. C. Hampton Made a
Motion to the Effect, "That hereafter the

Committee in Question" be held in their place until they fulfil their Mission by Distributing the number of Questions alloted to them." After some discussion it was Carried. No more bussiness on hand we adjourned until April 9th 7 O.C. P.M. At School House.

Ella
Secretary
"Pro Tem"

Union Village
April 16th 11.

Lyceum convened at usual time and Occupied place. "Matilda" in the chair. On Roll Call call all the members were present but "Susanna Brady" an "Maggie Collins."

The Quir performed the peice of music Entilled "Beyond the River." Minutes of the previous meeting were then read and adopted with out Amendment. Literary Exercises then Opened by C. C. Hampton reading an Original Com. Sub. Poetry Matilda Butler read a select peice Subj. "Look on this picture." Maria Wheeler Original Subj. "Scince Twenty Years". Julia Oconnell

read a select-piece Subj "A Pleasing incident." "Frank Brady." Original Composition subj. "Bigotry." "Lora J. Brady." Declamation. Sub. "Forgive and Forget." "Ella Buckley." select. Subj "The Blessed Ones."

This concluding the Literary Exercises

O. C. Hampton moved that in our next Composition we incorporate "Skrases" to be supplied by him. Carried

This concluding the business we adjourned to meet April 28th 7 O. C. P. M.

"Ella" Buckley
Secretary

Union Village
Lyceum Friday Apr. 27.

On account of some visitors being present from Watervliet. meeting was called to order on the 20th instead of the 28th as we wished to explain them before going home. "Matilda Butler" in the chair

On Roll call all the members were present but "Susanna Brady." The Chair performed

the piece of Music entitled "We are marching"
The Minutes of the previous meeting were
then read and adopted without Amendment.
Next in order were Literary Exercises.
O. C. Hampton Com. "The Coming Crisis"
Matilda Butler. Declamation "The Song of the
Cyclic" Maria Wheeler Original "The Cross."
Julia O'Connel Comp. "Man's Destiny"
Frank Brady. Select. "The Seminoles Left"
Flora Brady. Original. "Cheerfulness."
Ella Buckley. Composition "Character."
Literary Exercises over O. C. Hampton
moved that we Admit Louisa Weldon as a
member of the Lyceum Carried. The Visitors
present gave us some very encouraging remarks
after which we adjourned to meet May 1st 77.

Ella Buckley
Secretary

Union Village

Lycaum. May 14th 1877.

Convened at the usual time and place, Matilda in the chair, On roll call all responded to their names, but Julia O'Connel, and Maggie Collins, the choir then performed a piece of church Music, entitled Marching on, the minutes of previous Meeting were then read and adopted as read. Being the evening for the election of officers, Ella Brady was Chosen Secretary, and C C Hampton president, for the next four Meetings. Litterary Exercises then began by C. C. Hampton reading an interesting piece from a book called "Gohst Land", Susana Brady reading a good Composition, subject "The Golden Rule", Matilda Butler, a splendid composition subject, "Ever Changing", Maria Wheeler, poetical composition subject "We're all on our Angel side" Kate Brady, an elegant composition entitled "The Lamp" Flora Brady, an interesting piece of poetry

Select, I am drifting"
Ella Buckley a declamation, entitled
"The good we might do."
Louis a Weldon a Comical poem, subject
"To the Terestial Globe,
Litterary exercises over Lois'a sign'd the
Constitution and By Laws, Questions
Were then handed to the several members
No more business on hand we adjourned
to meet May 25th at 15 min's past seven P.M.

Ella Buckley
Secretary.

Union Village Ohio
Lyceum May 28th 1877.

Lyceum convened at the proper time
and place, O C Compton president,
J Brady secretary, Roll being called,
Magpie Collins, Maria Wheeler, and
Florence Brady were found absent,
Music was then call'd & performed by the
Choir singing a piece entitled
"Climbing up Zion's Hill" Minutes
were then read and adopted as they
stood. The Litterary exercises then began
by O C Hampton, reading a composition

subject, in which were embodied the several select phrases, was "Figures of speech."
Susana M. Brady (select piece) and part of Lecture by Theo. Parker
Matilda Butler, select " Title Religion
Maria Wheeler Comp " Good advice
Julia O'Connell " " Mistery of the pin-
Frank Brady select " Mail Matter, Know it.
Ella Buckley " " Slam the door gently.
Louisa Weldon Comp " Charity.
Exercises being over Moved to adjourn,
adjourned to meet 11th of June 1877.

Secretary,
H. Brady

June 11th 1877

Lyceum met at the usual time and place. Roll being called, Florence & Maggie Collins were found absent, music according custom was then performed by the Choir, a piece entitled "Good night." Minutes were then read and adopted as they stood. Literary exercises then began by C. C. Hampton reading a select piece, entitled "Rosina". Susanna M. Brady read a select piece

from Paul. Matilda read a select piece entitled Treasure paid, Maria Wheeler, an original comp. subject. Beautiful Frank Brady " " Our Legacy and Elba Buckley " " never mind the reflection and Verdon declama. (The Rat That renounced the world Grogue) Exercises being over a motion was made to the following effect. That we in the intervals between the next two meetings, be occupied in noting down all ungramatical errors heard in Conversation to be read, with our compositions. Meeting then adjourned to meet June 18th " 1877. 7 P.M.

Frank Brady Secretary

June 18th " 1877.

Meeting convened at the proper time and place, roll being called, Matilda Butler, Maggie Rolling and Maria Wheeler were found absent. Music was then performed by the Choir, a piece entitled, " How can we sing the praise of Jesus. The Minutes were read and amended as follows, resolved that the secretary insert into the minutes,

the resolution adopted at our previous
Meeting, resolved that we incorporate
in our compositions for the next two
meetings, several direct comparisons,
Literary exercises began by C. C. Hampton
reading a Composition Subject "figures
of speech"
Hannah Brady, select piece, from Paul
Julia O'Connell, " " " Gille. Notes on the Shake
Frank Brady " " " address of L. Club.
Ella Buckley " " " Room in the World
Luby Weldy " " " River of life.
Exercises being over moved an adjournment
to meet July 2nd 1877. Lady Pastor. Pro tem.

F. H. Brady
Secretary.

July 2nd 1877

Meeting convened at the proper time and place, O. C. Hampton in the chair, F. Brady having been appointed president pro. tem, O C Hampton, made a proposition to the following effect. That Lud Weldon act as Janitor for the next six months, Carried. Roll being called, Maggie Collins was found absent. Music was then performed by the choir, a piece entitled "Tarry not here." The Minutes were then read and adopted as they stood. Officers for the next meeting were then appointed, for the next four meetings, Julia O'connel President, and Lide Weldon Secretary. Exercises commenced by O C Hampton reading a composition, subject, shall our paper Enterprise succeed"

Susanah Brady read a original Comparison Matilda Butler the same, Maria Wheeler read a select piece, thoughts on Berlin Brotherhood, Julia O'Connel read an original composition, subject, religion. Frank Brady read

and original composition subject. The sympathizer, Ella Buckley read an original composition subject, Comparisons. Lue Weldon declaimed a piece, entitled "Modest Wit."

The questions having not as yet come to hand, Susanah Brady was appointed to renew and improve past measures, by presenting them at the next Meeting.

By some unknown means our Exercises fail to read alternately according to age, Consequently calling for a revival of the peculiar Order, which is as follows.

O C Hampton reads Select piece
S C Brady. " Composition
Matilda. " Select.
Maria Wheeler. " Composition
Julia O'Connell. " Select.
Maggie Collins. " Composition.
Frank Brady. Select.
Ella Buckley. Composition.
Lue Weldon. Select.

Meeting then adjourned to meet July
16th 7½ P.M.

J. Brady,
Secretary.